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## What Hoosier Homeowners Need to Know About Property Tax Appeals

A property owner is entitled to an appeal if he or she believes their property was not correctly assessed.

Appeals should begin with the Assessor of the *township* in which his or her property is located. If possible, discuss the matter with the assessor. Ask to examine the property record card. Verify that all data regarding square footage, numbers of rooms, basement, pool, etc. are correct. Point out any inaccuracies to the Assessor.

If there are any inaccuracies with regard to facts about the home, they must be corrected by filing **Form 133** with the County Auditor. If the error spans multiple years, the form may be used to correct up to three years.

Most appeals would be about the reassessed value of a home or other real estate. With regard to the reassessed value, to appeal the Township Assessor's decision, a property owner must file a formal appeal with the *County* Assessor within 45 days of the official notification of the assessment. Use **Form 130** available from the Township or County Assessor. The appeal will be reviewed by the county's Property Tax Board of Appeals.

To appeal the county's decision, a property owner must file another appeal with the County Assessor within 30 days of the county's decision. Use **Form 131** available from the County Assessor. The appeal will be reviewed by the Indiana Board of Tax Review.

Once the Indiana Board of Tax Review gives a notice of its decision, the petitioner may seek a review by the State Tax Court by petitioning within 45 days.

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